

Shelter Location and Structure Requirements

WAC 296-835-200

Summary

YOUR RESPONSIBILITY:

To provide and maintain safe and healthful housing for your temporary workers

You must

Provide and maintain sufficient grounds and open areas in temporary housing sites

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Follow these design and equipment requirements for shelters

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Rule

WAC 296-833-20005

Provide and maintain sufficient grounds and open areas in temporary housing sites

You must

- (1) Make sure that all temporary housing sites:
 - Are adequately drained and are free from ground depressions in which water may accumulate
 - Have no history of flooding
 - Don't endanger any domestic or public water supply with their drainage
 - Are located at least 200 feet from a swamp, pool, sink hole, or other surface collection of water unless the water surface can be treated for mosquito control.
- (2) Make sure the housing area is large enough to prevent the buildings from being crowded too closely together.
- (3) Make sure the principal housing areas for sleeping and food preparation/eating are at least 500 feet from livestock operations.



Note:

Livestock operations include, among other things, dairy farms, corrals, slaughterhouses, feedlots, and stockyards. Operations where livestock can roam on a pasture over a distance may be treated as outside the definition.

You must

- (4) Make sure that grounds and open areas surrounding the shelters are maintained in a clean and sanitary condition.

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Rule

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Follow these design and equipment requirements for shelters

You must

- (1) Make sure that every shelter in the camp provides protection against the elements.
 - (2) Make sure each dwelling unit:
 - Has at least 70 square feet of floor space for the first occupant and at least 50 square feet of floor space for each additional occupant
 - That is designated a family unit has a separate sleeping area for children over 6 years old
 - With designated sleeping room(s) has at least 50 square feet of floor space in the sleeping room for each occupant
 - Has at least a 7-foot ceiling
 - Has windows:
 - Covering a total area equal to at least 1/10 of the floor area
- AND***
- At least 1/2 of which can be opened for ventilation
 - Has each exterior opening screened with 16-mesh material
 - Has screen doors with self-closing devices.

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- (3) Make sure that the floors of each shelter are constructed of wood, asphalt, or concrete.
- Floors must be kept in good repair
 - If wooden floors are used, they must be:
 - Elevated one foot above ground level at all points to prevent dampness and to permit free air circulation
 - Smooth and tight.



Note:

You may “bank” around outside walls with earth or other suitable material to guard against extreme low temperatures.

You must

- (4) Provide beds, cots, or bunks, and suitable storage facilities such as wall lockers for clothing and personal articles in every sleeping room.
- Beds must be at least 36 inches away from other beds, both side to side and end to end
 - The frame of the bed must keep mattresses at least 12 inches off the floor
 - Double-deck bunks must be spaced at least 48 inches away from other beds, both side to side and end to end
 - The minimum clear space between lower and upper bunks must be at least 27 inches
 - Triple-deck bunks aren't allowed.

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- (5) Provide equipment that adequately heats the living area whenever the camp is used during cold weather.



Note:

All heating, cooking, and water heating equipment must meet state and local ordinances, codes, and regulations concerning installation.

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